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Dockets Management Branch (HFA-305)
Food and Drug Administration
5630 Fishers Lane., Rm 1061
Rockville, MD 20852

Dear Director, Dockets Management Branch, FDA,

Praxis strongly feels that clear, easily identified prominent labeling and use of the terms "irradiation" and "irradiated" along with the radura symbol should be used. Labels that industry wants like "cold pasteurization" or "electronic pasteurization" are not acceptable. Do not revise the current warnings and do not allow them to expire at some future date.

The vast majority of Americans do not want food processed by radiation. Radiation is little more than a convenient way not to follow appropriate sanitation practices and identifies the Land Grant University corporate industrial food production model is failing. Americans need to be able to vote with their pocket book on whether we want this sort of treatment on the foods we purchase.

Sincerely,

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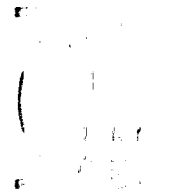
cc: Senator Spencer Abraham
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